

## Parks and Recreation Spring 2009

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Office hours: Monday through Friday 8 am-9 pm; Saturday 8 am-1 pm



### Carla Vaughan receives Recreation Leadership Award



Carla Vaughan, the City of Troy Recreation Supervisor of Seniors and Adaptive, has received the prestigious Michigan Recreation and Park Association Recreation Leadership Award. It is one of the highest honors that the Michigan Recreation and Park Association awards. This Award is presented to a member for their outstanding contributions and leadership in the area of recreation programming.

In the 34 years Carla has been with the City of Troy Parks and Recreation Department, she has never stopped creating and serving the community. Carla has dedicated her professional career to serving populations that most put limits on. Her dedication, perseverance and vision has moved the Troy Parks and Recreation Department to the forefront as a leader in senior and adaptive programming with over 105,547 participants in senior programs and 166 adaptive participants.

Carol Anderson, Director of Troy Parks and Recreation Department, has seen Carla make an impact on the community she serves. "Carla believes in her work and has made a difference in the community because of it," Anderson said.



### City of Troy Awarded Best of Aquatics

The Troy Family Aquatic Center and the Troy Community Center indoor pool have won international recognition from Aquatics International Magazine in their November/December Best of Aquatics Issue available online at: <http://www.aquaticsintl.com/2008/boa/1a.html>

The Troy facilities garnered attention in Class 2 of the international competition, competing against other facilities serving significantly larger communities in the 50,000 to 499,999 population category and being recognized as having the "Best Overall Commitment to Aquatics." About 82,000 people live in Troy. The center's growth in programs, service, and training were highlighted in the entry.

"We are honored to be recognized with the award for best overall commitment to aquatics", said Carol Anderson, Parks and Recreation Director. Anderson attributes the aquatics staff

### Holiday Closings

The Parks and Recreation offices will be closed as follows:

Good Friday, Easter - April 10-12

Memorial Day - May 23-25

### Weather Cancellations

[www.troymi.gov/parksrec/weatherupdates](http://www.troymi.gov/parksrec/weatherupdates)

Weather Hotline - 248.689.9756

### Mission Statement

It is the mission of the Parks and Recreation Department to enhance the quality of life with leisure opportunities for residents and businesses by providing recreation programs, facilities, parks and related services.

### Vision Statement

The Parks and Recreation Department is committed to providing a responsive, distinctive, effective department with high quality comprehensive programs, parks, facilities and open space.

### Icon Key



The Envelope icon represents classes that are available for mail-in, drop-off, or walk-in registration only. **They are not available for online registration.**



The Early Bird icon indicates programs that were first offered in the previous bulletin issue and are available for immediate registration by walk-in, mail-in, or online methods. Please do not use the registration drop box at the Community Center.

and the support of the City Council and administration, along with the involvement of the residents, for Troy's thriving aquatics program.

"Venues such as (the aquatic center) and (community center) go a long way toward making a city a great place to raise a family," wrote Neal Broveramn for the magazine.

**Season Passes for the  
Troy Family Aquatic Center  
go on sale soon! See page 34.**



## National Scrapbook Day

Saturday, March 14

Join us for a full 8-hours of scrapbooking fun! You will have 5 feet of table space, use of a tool table and die-cut machine. Each participant will receive a special gift and chance to win raffle prizes. This event is hosted by a team of local Creative Memories Consultants. Creative Memories products will be available for sale. Your fee also includes a light breakfast, lunch and snacks. Space is limited!

**Location:** Troy Community Center

**Instructor:** Marlo R. Moeller, CM Unit Leader

Act #	Date	Time	NR	Res Disc
122700A	Sat, Mar 14	9 am-5 pm	\$40	\$35

## Family Nights

at the Troy Community Center

Saturdays – March 14, April 11, May 9, and June 13

5-8 pm

Families living in Troy are encouraged to visit the Community Center and recreate together in the gym and pool on select Saturdays of the month. The north court of the gym will be available for activities such as basketball at 8' goals, badminton, parachutes, an inflatable castle and more. In addition to the gym, the pool and teen room will be open for normal activities (see pool description on page 35).

Members can participate in all of these activities at no charge. The daily admission cost for a non-member is \$5 per two people (adult and child). Non-residents are welcome with a Troy resident.

FREE  
Event

## Senior Expo

Tuesday, March 17

10 am - 2 pm

Troy Community Center

Visit vendors on health care, home care, financial planning, housing options and more. Many vendors will be holding raffles. Visit 15 vendors and you will be eligible for the door prize drawings.

## Hippity Hop Splash Bash

Saturday, April 4 - 6:30-8:30 pm

The Easter Bunny will be visiting the pool! Guaranteed to be a lot of fun, games, and a special gift for the children. Kids 12 and under are welcome. Parents are free and must accompany children 10 and under into the water. Bring your camera! Advanced registration is required. No refunds for this event.

**Location:** Troy Community Center Indoor Pool

Act #	Ages	Date	Time	NR	Res Disc
123100A	12 and under	Apr 4	6:30-8:30 pm	\$12	\$10

Find more indoor pool events on page 35.



## EGGcitement at the Farm

Sunday, April 5 at Troy Farm

Sponsored by: Whole Foods Market

What better place to find eggs than at the Troy Farm? The kids will EGGsplore the nature of eggs as they check out the EGGsperiment station. We will test our coordination with the ever-so famous spoon-egg races. Let your child's imagination wander at the art station with coloring crafts and activities. Finally, we will end the afternoon adventures with an Easter Egg Hunt, where every child will find candy surprises. Reserve your spot fast so you don't miss out on your chance to meet the Easter Bunny!

Please dress for the weather. Boots are recommended. The adult partner is free and must accompany the child through the program. **Minimum registration numbers required by March 28.**

**Location:** Troy Farm

Activity	Ages	Date	Time	Day	NR	Res Disc
327265A	3-12	Apr 5	1-2:30 pm	Sun	\$11	\$9
327265B	3-12	Apr 5	3-4:30 pm	Sun	\$11	\$9

See pages 72-76 for more Stage Nature Center programs.

## Troy Community Center

## Adult Co-ed Dodge Ball Tournament

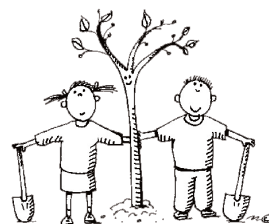
Sunday, April 26

Registered teams will have an open practice on Sunday, April 19. All players must be 18 years or older by the tournament date. Information/registration packets are available at the Parks and Recreation desk and at the Community Center Fitness Center control desk. Call 248.524.3484 or 248.526.2655 for more information. Minimum of 6, maximum of 10 players per team. Limited number of spaces available for teams - don't wait to sign up, 12 team maximum.

**NR Teams:** \$104 per team

**Res Disc Teams:** \$99

**Act #:** 126705A- deadline to register is April 15.



## Arbor Day Celebration and Kite Fly

Friday, May 1

4:30 - 6 pm

Firefighters Park

**This event is free!** The City of Troy will observe Arbor Day on Friday, May 1 with a tree planting ceremony and kite fly at Firefighters Park. Free kites will be given to the first 50 youngsters that attend! The entire family is welcome to join in the fun. Sign up online to reserve your space using Activity #122995A.

## 15th Annual Perennial Plant Exchange

Saturday, May 16

10 am - Noon

at the Troy Family Aquatic Center  
Parking Lot



Co-sponsored by:

Troy Garden Club and the Evening  
Primrose Garden Club

Trade your excess plants with others and increase the variety in your garden. This event is free and no money will exchange hands, trading only! Master gardeners will be on hand to answer questions. In addition, there will be gardening information and free compost for you to take home (bring your own containers). This event will be held rain or shine. Reservations are not required. Plants must be pest free. You may want to bring a wagon or a buddy to facilitate trading.

*Please label all plants as to type and color of bloom if known.*

## RIVER DAY 2009

Saturday, June 6 at Stage Nature Center

9 am - 1 pm

Join our volunteers this year, as we work in the Headwaters of the Rouge River, to improve the natural habitat along the stream at the Stage Nature Center. This upstream reach of the Rouge River is home to some of the most pristine water in the entire Rouge River Watershed, including amphibians, fish and aquatic insects that are only found in high quality waterways. All volunteers will receive a t-shirt and a BBQ lunch.

### Activities include:

Streambank Stabilization, Native Plant Restoration,  
Invasive Plant Removal and Building Trails

**To volunteer, contact:** Jen Lawson at 248.524.3381 or by e-mail at: [j.lawson@troymi.gov](mailto:j.lawson@troymi.gov)

## Spring Break AquaCamp

April 6-9

**NEW** Do you need something for the kids to do over Spring Break week? This dynamic new 4 day (Mon.-Thurs.) camp for ages 6-13 will include crafts and games in the gym in the mornings and use of the pool and planned games in the pool in the afternoon. Before and after care available. **Registration Deadline:** After 3/31/09 add \$20 to fee

**Location:** Troy Community Center Indoor Pool

**Instructor:** Indoor Pool Staff

Act #123032	Ages	Time	NR	Res Disc
A	6 - 9 yrs	9 am - 4 pm	\$104	\$99
B	10 - 13 yrs	9 am - 4 pm	\$104	\$99

See page 35 for more details.

## Kids and Seniors Only Garage Sale

Saturday, June 6

9 am - 1 pm

### Location:

Liberty Center Parking Garage – just south of the Troy Community Center

The Kids and Senior Garage sales will be offered on the same day but in separate areas of the garage. Prepare your items and bring them over to the Liberty Center Garage with no worry about the weather.

**KIDS!** Sell or trade your toys and games at our 20th annual Kids Only Garage Sale. No item is too big, no item is too small! One child's castoffs are another child's treasures! Spread out your blanket and show your wares at the Liberty Center Parking Garage. This event is for kids of all ages, but parental supervision is required for kids 12 and under. If you have nothing to sell, come and see what treasures await you at bargain prices. Register by June 4. Space is limited.

**SENIORS (age 55 and older)!** This is a perfect opportunity to empty out those closets! You will be able to pull your vehicle in to the garage to unload but must move your car prior to the opening of the sale. Ample parking is available on the garage roof and at the Community Center.

Kids	Act #125101E	Fee: \$5/space	NR: \$10
Seniors	Act #128994D	Fee: \$5/space – no table	NR: \$10
Seniors	Act #128994E	Fee: \$10/space (1-8 ft table)	NR: \$15 (35 available)

**Registration Deadline: June 4**

## Hershey Track and Field Games

Saturday, June 13 – 8:30 am

Troy High School

Open to Boys and Girls age 9-14 (as of 12/31/2009)

### Events include:

Ages 9-10	Ages 11-12	Ages 13-14
50 Meter Dash	100 Meter Dash	100 Meter Dash
100 Meter Dash	200 Meter Dash	200 Meter Dash
200 Meter Dash	400 Meter Dash	800 Meter Run
400 Meter Dash	800 Meter Run	1600 Meter Run
Relay Team	Relay Team	Relay Team
Softball Throw*	Softball Throw*	Softball Throw*
Standing Long Jump*	Standing Long Jump*	Standing Long Jump*

### \*Field Events

- Participation is limited to either one running and two field events or two running and one field event.
- No spikes or shoes designed to hold spikes permitted.
- Each overall event winner qualifies for the state finals in Holt, Michigan in July 10.
- Entry forms available at the Troy Community Center beginning April 1. Entry deadline is Monday, June 8.